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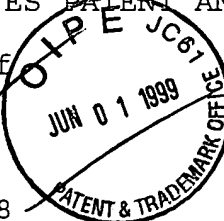
For: DIRECT EXPRESSION OF PEPTIDES INTO CULTURE MEDIA

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed April 27, 1999, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I (Claims 1, 2, 5-15, 20, 22-27, 32-38, 40-43, 65-67, 70, 73), drawn to a vector, host cell, and method of making a peptide wherein the protein expressed from the vector is directed to the periplasmic space of the host cell.

It is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance, and issuance of a Notice of Allowance is solicited.

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